

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS
625 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Suite 900
Washington, D.C. 20004

POSITION VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcement No.: 03-03

Issuing Date: 08/12/03

Closing Date: Open until filled or 09/30/03 (whichever occurs first)

Position: Judicial Law Clerk to Judge Jonathan R. Steinberg – **Clerkship commences approximately 09/11/03.**

Temporary Appointment Not To Exceed (NTE) 13 months.

Court Schedule: CS-11/12/13 (equivalent GS-11/12/13, current salary range including Washington-Baltimore Locality Pay, as of issuing date, \$48,451 to \$89,774).

Note: Applicants applying for a 5 or 10 point preference must submit proof of their eligibility, along with their application, for the preference to be considered.

This appointment is made without regard to Title 5 governing appointments in the competitive service. All appointments are Excepted Service.

Area of Consideration: Nationwide

Qualification Requirements: All applicants must be a law school graduate (or the certified completion of all law school studies and requirements and merely awaiting conferment of degree), and must have the following experience.

CS Grade Level	Years of Legal Work Experience	Bar Membership Required
11	1	no
12	2	yes
13	3*	yes

Legal Work Experience: Legal work experience for this position is progressively responsible experience in the practice of law, in legal research, legal administration, or equivalent experience received after graduation from law school. Major or substantial legal activities while in military service may be credited, on a month-for-month basis, whether before or after graduation, but not to exceed one year if before graduation.

* One year of law clerk experience to a federal judge is required to be appointed at or promoted to CS-13.

Educational Substitutions: Graduation (or the certified completion of all law school studies and requirements and merely awaiting conferment of degree) and standing within the upper third of the class from a law school on the approved list of the American Bar Association or that of the Association of American Law Schools; or experience on the editorial board of a law review of such a school; or graduation from a law school on the approved list of the American Bar Association or that of the Association of American Law Schools with an LL.M. degree; or demonstrated proficiency in legal studies that, in the opinion of the appointing Judge, is the equivalent of the above, is considered the equivalent of one year of legal work experience.

The following are examples of criteria that have been considered to be acceptable as equivalent:

1. Publication of a noteworthy article in a law school student publication or other scholarly publication; or
2. Special high-level honors for academic excellence in law school, such as election to the Order of the Coif; or
3. Winning of a moot court competition or membership on a moot court team that represents the law school in competition with other law schools; or
4. Participation in a legal aid or other law school clinical program sanctioned by the law school; or
5. Summer experience as a law clerk to a state or local judge or law clerk experience on a continuous basis (either full or part time) in a private firm while attending school, *i.e.*, "working their way through college", provided that participation in such activity was not for academic credit.

Instructions for Applying: You may apply by submitting one of the following: OF 612, resume, other written application, or SF 171. The application you submit must contain all of the information requested on the OF 612. In addition to your application, please include a cover letter, a completed OF 306 (Declaration for Federal Employment), your law school transcripts, a legal writing sample (at least 10 pages, double-spaced) not edited by anyone else, and three letters of reference (two of which must be law related); and advise as to your undergraduate GPA, LSAT score and percentile, and approximate class rank in law school. If you need a copy of the OF 612, or the "Declaration for Federal Employment," please go to www.opm.gov (click on "Quick Index" and then on "Forms") or contact Ramona Garcia on 202-501-5988. Submit your application packet to:

Judge Jonathan R. Steinberg
ATTN: Ms. Martha E. Stanley
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Effective September 3, 2002, Position Vacancy Announcement (PVA) No. 02-04 (Judicial Law Clerk to Judge Jonathan R. Steinberg), has been closed. Please delete this announcement immediately. If you have questions, you may contact Ramona Garcia on 202-501-5987 (ext. 1023).